

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1580
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GAUGE CONVERSION PROJECT OF SAMKHAYALI-PALANPUR
Gadhavi Shri Pushpdan Shambhudan

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Railway intent to take Samkhayali-Palanpur gauge conversion project on priority basis;
- (b) if so, the details of the proposal; and
- (c) the time by which the work of this project is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

- (a): Yes, Sir. The work is already in progress.
- (b): This work has been taken up on cost sharing basis with the Government of Gujarat and other beneficiaries. A special purpose vehicle named 'Kutch Railway Company Ltd.' has been formed for realization of funds, proper monitoring and speedy execution of works on the project.
- (c): The project is likely to be completed in about two years subject to availability of resources.